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Dear Mr. Jordan:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Your report discloses memo Schedule A's totaling \$61,750 from the Illinois Senate 2002, Montana 2002 and Oklahoma Senate 2002, which appears to be a joint fundraising committee. However, there are no corresponding transfers-in from this committee disclosed on Schedule A for supporting Line 12 of the Detailed Summary Page. Please clarify this apparent discrepancy.

-Schedule A supporting Line 17 of your report discloses a payment from A.B. Data Ltd. (pertinent portion(s) attached). It appears this receipt was for goods and/or services provided by your committee. Pursuant to Advisory Opinion 1979-18, the sale/purchase price paid to a political committee could involve the receipt of a contribution from a purchaser if the purchase price exceeds the "usual and normal charge". The term "usual and normal charge" for goods is defined as the price of those goods in the market from which they ordinarily would have been purchased at the time of the contribution. Examples of goods and services include equipment, supplies, personnel, advertising services, membership lists, and mailing lists. 11 CFR 100.7(a)(1)(iii)

Please clarify whether your committee assessed the usual and normal